

I am against the Broadband over Power Lines (BPL) initiative that is before the FCC at this time. As a long time amateur radio operator I am concerned about issues that affect the current radio spectrum allocations. As has been proven by the ARRL, the BPL initiative would effectively kill all amateur radio communications in this country. In a time where we are all concerned with national security we simply can not be without the amateur radio services that many local clubs, groups and organizations provide. If this plan were to be put into effect the emergency services in natural disasters and well as national security would be at risk. Imagine if BPL were in effect during the world trade center disaster - normal communications were jammed and amateur radio operators stepped in with emergency services to provide communications. If BPL were working at that time, there would be no communications since all radio signals would have been blocked by the BPL signals emanating from all the power lines above and below the ground. If you approve this issue it will destroy amateur radio and emergency communications within this country. I strongly urge you, not to approve this initiative.

Thank You, Gregg Britton, N6ZUE